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THE FOLLOWING PENDING PRIOR PATENT APPLICATION:

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Filing Date: 08/07/2001  
Title: WEDGE SHAPED SUTURE ANCHOR AND METHOD OF  
IMPLANTATION  
Group Art Unit: 3731  
Examiner: Gary Jackson  
Attorney's Docket No.: MIT-81 CON 2

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FILING OF PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

The attached Rule 1.53(B) continuation application is being  
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: Jack Pedlick et al.  
For: WEDGE SHAPED SUTURE ANCHOR AND METHOD OF IMPLANTATION

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 40 sheets of drawings. (copy of orig.)
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to: Mitek Surgical Products, Inc. (copy of original)
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status.
- ☒ REQUEST FOR FILING RULE 1.53(B) CONTINUATION APPLICATION

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

For:	No. Filed	No. Extra	Small Entity		Large Entity	
			Rate	Fee	Rate	Fee
Basic Fee				\$0		\$770.00
Total Claims	28 - 20	8	x \$ 9.00	0	x \$18.00	144.00
Ind. Claims	13 - 3	10	x \$40.00	0	x \$ 86.00	860.00
Mult. Claims			+ \$130.00		+ \$290.00	

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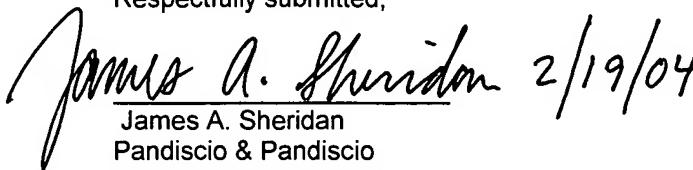
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The inventors named in this continuation application are the same inventors named in the prior application Serial No. 09/923,996.

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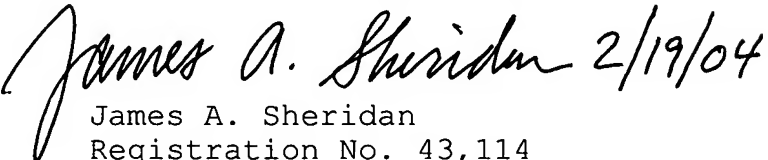
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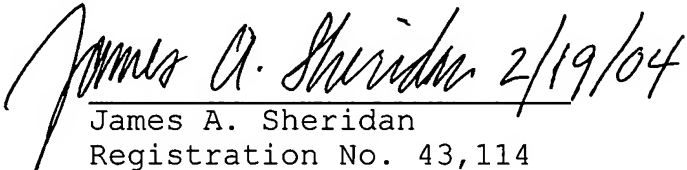
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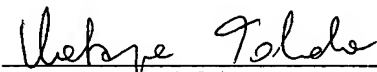
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I, James A. Sheridan, being duly registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, depose and state, under penalty of perjury, that: I am attorney of record in the above-identified pending prior application Serial No. 09/923,996 filed 08/07/2001, and that the enclosed application is a true and complete copy of the prior application Serial No. 08/630,389 as filed, and that no amendments referred to in the oath or declaration filed to complete the prior patent application Serial No. 08/630,389 introduced new matter therein.

  
  
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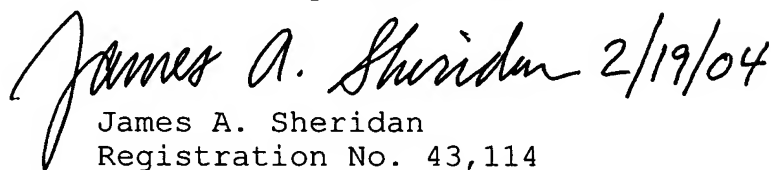
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